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Licensing

145.01.10 - 9/25/98

Is a plumbing license required to pre-fab plumbing? Yes, with one exception. When a plumbing system has received product approval, the piping system may be pre-fabbed by assembly workers who are not licensed individuals. Otherwise, a license is required to construct a plumbing system.

145.01.10 - 11/24/00

Are water lines to soda dispensers considered plumbing? Yes, if the line carries drinking water, it's considered plumbing.

145.01.10 - 11/24/00

Is a license required to install pipe liners? No. Pipe liners are considered a repair.

145.06 - 7/25/05

May a homeowner install plumbing in a portion of their home intended to be used by the public? For example, if a shampoo sink or public restroom is to be installed for an in-home beauty salon? No, the homeowner may only install plumbing in a one-family dwelling. The portion of the building in this example is public and a licensed individual would be required.

145.06 - 3/13/98

Is an MP required to own a business? A master plumber may work for another and be in charge of plumbing installations. It is not required that the master own a share of the business. A plumbing business needs to have a Building Contractor Registration.

145.06 - 7/12/00

Who is the "responsible master"? The responsible master is any master that agrees to be responsible for the installation of plumbing. There is no distance restriction on the master from the installation.

145.07 - 6/11/01

Does a degree in engineering technology qualify someone to take the MP exam? No. The statutes require that a degree in "engineering" is necessary to write the MP exam. This degree must include courses related to plumbing, see SPS 305.91(3), or be a degree in civil engineering or mechanical engineering.

145.11 - 5/10/07

What advertising requires the master plumber license number? The law says the MP number must be on items that are printed material designed for public distribution.

What meets this definition?

Business cards - yes.

One business card on the wall of the plumbing shop and not distributed, no.

Pencils/pens with advertisement - yes, unless the pencils are not meant for public distribution.

Yellow page ad - yes.

Business page listing – No, the single or double-line phone book entry is a point for information transfer, not

advertising.

Paint on plumbing truck - No, it is not printed material and not publicly distributed.

Billboard off the business property, Yes.

Business signs - No, these signs are informational for customers to find the shop.

145.14 - 5/10/07

May a Master Plumber - Restricted Service install exterior grease interceptors? May they submit the plans for those projects? Yes, a MPRS may install an exterior grease interceptor and they may also sign the plans for projects where they will be the responsible master.

145.14 - 2/6/07

When is a water supply system considered to be existing, so that a restricted appliance could install a device or appliance? An existing water supply system exists when a fully-licensed plumber (or occupant of a single-family residence) has installed the piping from the meter or control valve of a pressure tank to the point past where the water treatment device is to be installed.

SPS 305.92.3 - 5/15/01

Can a journeyman write a restricted master exam? Yes, if the 1000-hour requirement is met. See the [attached](#) petition report. |

SPS 305.94.3 - 3/18/98

Is there a time limit to get the 1000 hours work for JPRA exam? Yes, the 1000 hours of work required to write the JPRA exam must be completed during a continuous year.